(d) The Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties receives petitions from the domestic industry alleging dumping and injury which are processed as per the procedures specified under the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 as amended in 1995 and the Rules made thereunder. Once the case is initiated, the Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties investigates the existence and degree of dumping, identifies the dumped article, and submits provisional and/or final findings to the Ministry of Finance recommending the amount of Anti-Dumping Duty to be levied.

Coffee producing States

2403. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of coffee producing States in the country;

(b) the quantum of coffee produced in each State during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise; and

(c) the details of necessary steps being taken by Government to increase the production of coffee in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) and (b) Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu are the traditional coffee growing States and Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and all the seven North-Eastern States are non-traditional coffee growing States in the country. Karnataka is the largest coffee producing State in the country and contributes about 70% of the total coffee production. St ate-wise/year-wise coffee -production during the last three years is given below:

(Qty. in MTs)

States/years	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
1	2	3	4
Karnataka	209100	210950	208670
Kerala Tamil	60470	70550	66690
Nadu	19400	16450	21630

1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh and Orissa N.E.	2328	2400	2900
States Non-Conventional areas	202	313	310
	500	500	400
TOTAL:	292000	301163	300600

(c) For boosting production and productivity of coffee, the Government of India through the Coffee Board, besides operating several Plan schemes and developmental activities aimed at intensive cultivation, replanting programmes, quality improvement programmes and water augmentation programmes, has also been providing necessary support in the form of agricultural research, extension, arrangement of credit and finance and other necessary backup support like supply of seed for planting purposes etc. Under these schemes various types of technical and financial assistance arc provided to the coffee growers. Further thrust is being given for increasing productivity of coffee particularly in small grower sector and improving quality of the product to achieve competitiveness in the international markets. The Board is also encouraging large growers to produce specially coffee whjch fetches attractive premium in the developed countries.

FDI in food retailing

2404. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH SURYA': Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to allow 49 per cent FDI in food retailing;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor:

(c) whether such retailer be allowed to sell rural industrial products as well; and

(d) what is intended to be achieved by doing so?